



**CITY OF SAN DIEGO
OFFICE OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM ANTHONY YOUNG**



WEEKLY UPDATE MAY 16, 2006

As you know, the Council continues to review various City department budgets. We reviewed the City Attorney's budget on Monday and for some reason, certain individuals were expecting the Council to act unprofessionally towards our City Attorney and his department's budget proposal that was presented to us by the Mayor. I want all to know that I will treat with respect and professionalism all matters and individuals that come before the Council. Regarding the City Attorney's budget, I voiced concerns regarding the lack of budget resources dedicated to the Drug Abatement Response Team and the Neighborhood Prosecution Unit. Both programs are essential in addressing public safety issues that have negative impacts on communities, including gangs, prostitution, drug sales, smoke shops, transient crimes, problem bars, nightclubs, and properties. The successful injunction against Fam Mart, which I reported to you last week, is a result of the City Attorney's Drug Abatement Response Team. I was pleased that the City Attorney listened to my concerns and agreed to look at expanding these two Units in this year's budget.

My sincerest condolences and my prayers go out to the wife, child, and family of San Diego Police Officer David Moya. Officer Moya was killed in an unfortunate accident on May 12, 2006 while going home from work. He was truly one of America's finest police officers and served the communities of the 4th District and the City of San Diego in an exemplary fashion. He will be greatly missed by his fellow officers of

the Southeastern Division and the entire San Diego Police Department. I hope and trust you will join me in praying for his family and fellow officers and thank Officer David Moya for a job well done. The family is in need of assistance and is suggesting contributions in lieu of flowers. Donations can be made payable to Josefina Moya, Account # 6834627934, Wells Fargo Bank, 4180 Bonita Road, Bonita , Ca. 91902.

As we continue our efforts to make our communities better places to live, work and raise a family, I thank and applaud Bank of America for launching its Neighborhood Excellence Initiative. This Initiative will provide \$200,000 in funding to neighborhood nonprofit organizations, recognize and honor (5) community heroes and donate \$5,000 to an eligible non-profit organization of the honorees choice, and provide paid internships for (5) high school student leaders. To learn more about this Initiative and/or apply, please visit their web site at www.bankofamerica.com/foundation. This is an excellent example of good corporate citizenship and I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity.

Under the auspice of my 21st Century Community Initiative, my office will be hosting two events this Saturday, May 20, 2006. I strongly encourage all youth to come to Youth Job Fair at South Metro Career Center, 4389 Imperial Avenue. This Job Fair, co-sponsored by the San Diego Workforce Partnership's Youth Connect Network, is a great opportunity to get summer jobs and permanent jobs. All youth 16 years old and older are asked to attend and apply from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm on Saturday, May 20th.

A major community clean-up will be held in the community of Chollas View on Saturday, May 20th. I will be joined by community leaders and the San Diego Urban Corp in helping to beautify and keep our communities clean one block at a time.

My office will also be participating in Second Chance's Adopt-A-Block community clean-up in the Encanto community on Saturday, May 20, 2006. Again, I am requesting all of you to come out and volunteer your time and efforts to keep our communities clean. I look forward to seeing you early Saturday morning.

The UJIMA Institute for Civic Responsibility is hosting an African Liberation Day Celebration at 4:00 pm Wednesday, May 24, 2006 at the

Educational Cultural Complex; 4343 Oceanview Blvd. Guest of the event is M.K. Asante Jr. He is a film producer and writer of the award winning film “500 Years Later.” In addition to the showing of the film, there will be music and poetry readings. I commend and thank Mshinda Nyofu and the members of UJIMA Institute for bringing this outstanding cultural event to our community. Please call (619) 262-2022 for more information and to reserve your seat.

Again, my thanks go out to you for supporting me in my efforts to make this City and the 4th District a better place to live, work, and raise a family

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